

**EAST CENTRAL KANSAS
COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION**
Baldwin City, Kansas

REGULATORY BASIS
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended June 30, 2015

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Board of Education
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We have audited the accompanying fund summary statement of regulatory basis receipts, expenditures, and unencumbered cash balances of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* as described in Note 1 to meet the financial reporting requirements of the State of Kansas; this includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the presentation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas to meet the requirements of the State of Kansas on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the “Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas as of June 30, 2015, or changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the aggregate cash and unencumbered cash balance of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas as of June 30, 2015, and the aggregate receipts and expenditures for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinion on the 2015 fund summary statement of regulatory basis receipts, expenditures, and unencumbered cash balances (basic financial statement) as a whole. The summary of regulatory basis expenditures-actual and budget, individual fund schedules of regulatory basis receipts and expenditures-actual and budget, schedule of receipts and expenditures – nonbudgeted funds (Schedules 1, 2, and 3 as listed in the table of contents) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the 2015 basic financial statement, however are required to be presented under the provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*. The accompany schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, “Audits of States and Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations” and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the

underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2015 basic financial statement. The 2015 information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 2015 basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2015 basic financial statement or to the 2015 basic financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the 2015 basic financial statement as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with "Government Auditing Standards", we have also issued our report dated December 7, 2015, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control of financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with "Government Audit Standards" is considering East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karlin & Long, LLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Lenexa, KS
December 7, 2015

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Summary Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Unencumbered Cash
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Funds	Beginning Unencumbered Cash Balance	Prior Year Cancelled Encumbrances	Cash Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Unencumbered Cash Balance	Add Outstanding Encumbrances and Accounts Payable	Ending Cash Balance
General Funds:							
General	\$ 439,205	\$ 0	\$ 6,325,551	\$ 6,164,756	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 600,000
Special Purpose Funds:							
WEB Grades 6-12	10,689	0	232,059	204,346	38,402	0	38,402
Spectra	452,570	0	139,163	319,407	272,326	0	272,326
Discretionary projects fund	0	0	27,097	27,097	0	0	0
Total Reporting Entity	\$ 902,464	\$ 0	\$ 6,723,870	\$ 6,715,606	\$ 910,728	\$ 0	\$ 910,728
Composition of Cash							
					Checking Accounts		\$ 910,228
					Savings Accounts		
					Petty Cash		500
					Certificates of Deposit		
					Total Reporting Entity		\$ 910,728

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Baldwin City, Kansas

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education is an organization of three school districts to perform the Special Education function as a cooperative.

Financial Reporting Entity

Interlocal No. 614 is a municipal corporation governed by a six member board. The Cooperative as an entity has been defined to include, on a combined basis, (a) Interlocal No. 614 (b) organizations for which Interlocal No. 614 is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with Interlocal No. 614 are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. There are currently no organizations which meet the foregoing criteria for being combined in the Cooperatives's report.

Fund Descriptions

In governmental accounting, a fund is defined as an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations.

The following types of funds comprise the financial activities of the Interlocal for the year 2015:

Governmental Funds

General Fund – The chief operating fund. Used to account for the resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Purpose Funds – Used to account for the proceeds of specific tax levies and other specific revenue sources (other than Capital Project and tax levies for long term debt) that are intended for specified purposes.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Regulatory Basis of Accounting and Departure from Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America

The KMAAG regulatory basis of accounting involves the recognition of cash, cash equivalents, marketable investments, and certain accounts payable and encumbrance obligations to arrive at a net unencumbered cash and investments balance on a regulatory basis for each fund, and the reporting of changes in unencumbered cash and investments of a fund resulting from the difference in regulatory basis receipts and regulatory basis expenditures for the fiscal year. All recognized assets and liabilities are measured and reported at cost, unless they have been permanently impaired and have no future cash value or represent no future obligation against cash. The KMAAG regulatory basis does not recognize capital assets, long-term debt, accrued receivables and payables, or any other assets, liabilities or deferred inflows or outflows, other than those mentioned above.

The Interlocal has approved a resolution that is in compliance with K.S.A. 75-1120a(c), waiving the requirement for application of generally accepted accounting principles and allowing the Interlocal to use the regulatory basis of accounting.

Reimbursed Expenses

Reimbursed expenses are defined as repayments of amounts remitted on behalf of another party. All reimbursed expenses shown in the financial statements meet the following criteria: 1) the related disbursement was made in the current year on behalf of the payee, 2) the item paid for was directly identifiable as having been used by or provided to the payee, and 3) the amount of the reimbursed expense was directly tied to the amount of the original cash disbursement.

Budgetary Information

The budgetary process for East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education is different from that of a Unified School District. The Interlocal does not receive any local tax money directly. They prepare the budget which is approved by the Board, but not required to be published. Their main source of funds is from the Unified School Districts, which are members of the Interlocal, State of Kansas, and federal funding. Any local tax money

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Budgetary Information (Continued)

received comes through the member Unified School Districts and is part of those Districts' published budget.

Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

Inventories and prepaid expenses which benefit future periods are recorded as expenditures.

Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Such estimates relate primarily to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

NOTE 2 – Deposits and Investments

Deposits

K.S.A. 9-1401 establishes the depositories which may be used by the government. The statute requires banks eligible to hold the government's funds have a main or branch bank in the county in which the government is located and the banks provide an acceptable rate of return on funds. In addition, K.S.A. 9-1402 requires the banks to pledge securities for deposits in excess of FDIC coverage. The government has no other policies that would further limit interest rate risk.

K.S.A. 12-1675 limits the government's investments of idle funds to time deposits, open accounts, and certificates of deposit with allowable financial institutions; U.S. government securities; temporary notes; no-fund warrants; repurchase agreements; and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. The Interlocal has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. The Interlocal had no investments during 2015.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 – Deposits and Investments (Continued)

Concentration of Credit Risk

State statutes place no limit on the amount the Interlocal may invest in any one issuer as long as the investments are adequately secured under K.S.A. 9-1402 and K.S.A. 9-1405.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Interlocal's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require the Interlocal's deposits in financial institutions to be entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held under a joint custody receipt issued by a bank within the State of Kansas, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, or the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, except during designated "peak periods" when required coverage is 50%. All deposits were legally secured at June 30, 2015.

At June 30, 2015, the Interlocal's carrying amount of deposits was \$ 910,728 and the bank balance was \$ 1,628,628. The bank balance was held by one bank resulting in a concentration of credit risk. Of the bank balance, \$ 250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and the balance was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions' agents in the Interlocal's name. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the issuer or counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require investments to be adequately secured.

NOTE 3 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description – East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education participates in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS), a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan as provided by K.S.A. 74-4901, et seq. KPERS provides retirement benefits, life insurance, disability income benefits, and death benefits. Kansas law establishes and amends benefit provisions. KPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to KPERS (611 S. Kansas; Topeka, KS 66603) or by calling 1-888-275-5737.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 3 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

Funding Policy – K.S.A. 74-4919 and K.S.A. 74-4921 establishes the KPERS member-employee contribution rates. Effective January 1, 2015 KPERS has three benefit structures and funding depending on whether the employee is a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 member. Tier 1 members are active and contributing members hired before July 1, 2009. Tier 2 members were first employed in a covered position on or after July 1, 2009. Tier 3 members are active and contributing members hired after January 1, 2015. Kansas law establishes the KPERS member-employee contribution rate of 6% of covered salary for Tier 1 members, 6% of covered salary for Tier 2 members and 6% of covered salary for Tier 3 members. Member-employees' contributions are withheld by their employer and paid to KPERS according to the provisions of section 414 (h) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The State of Kansas is required to contribute the statutory required employers share.

Net Pension Liability – The total pension liability for KPERS was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2013, which rolled forward to June 30, 2014. As of June 30 2014 the net pension liability for KPERS was \$8,291,794,910. KPERS has determined the Interlocal's proportionate share of the net pension liability is \$547,673 as of June 30, 2014. The complete actuarial valuation report including all actuarial assumptions and methods is publically available on the website www.kpers.org or can be obtained as described in the first paragraph above.

NOTE 4 – Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to limited torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the district carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from prior years and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

NOTE 5 – Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

We noted no violations of Kansas statutes for the period under examination.

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NOTE 6 – Compensated Absences

All teachers accrue 12 days of leave per year. Administrative personnel accrue one day of leave per month. Any unused leave up to sixty-five days is credited for future use. Upon discontinuance of employment any unused leave is forfeited.

NOTE 7 – Interfund Transactions

Transfers were made from the spectra fund to the general fund. The total amount of transfers for the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$287,487.

NOTE 8 – Other Post Employment Benefits

As provided by K.S.A. 12-5040, the local government allows retirees to participate in the group health insurance plan. While each retiree pays the full amount of the applicable premium, conceptually, the local government is subsidizing the retirees because each participant is charged a level of premium regardless of age. However, the cost of this subsidy has not been quantified in this statement.

Under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), the government makes health care available to eligible former employees and eligible dependents. Certain requirements are outlined by the federal government for this coverage. The premium is paid in full by the insured. There is no cost to the government under this program.

NOTE 9 – Contingency

The Cooperative receives federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by federal and state agencies. Such audits could result in a request for reimbursement by federal and state agencies for expenditures disallowed under the terms and conditions of the appropriate agency. In the opinion of the Cooperative's management, such disallowances, if any, will not be significant to the Cooperative's financial statements.

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NOTE 10 – Subsequent Events Review

Subsequent events for management's review have been evaluated through December 7, 2015. The date in the prior sentence is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Interlocal #614 East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education

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Supplementary Information

For the year ended June 30, 2015

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EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION
Summary of Expenditures - Actual and Budget
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Funds	Certified Budget	Adjustments to		Total Budget for Comparison	Expenditures Chargeable to Current Year	Variance - Over (Under)
		Comply with Legal Max	Qualifying Budget Credits			
General	\$ 6,271,812	\$ 0	0	\$ 6,271,812	\$ 6,164,756	\$ (107,056)

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GENERAL FUND

Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures - Actual and Budget

Regulatory Basis

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Variance- Over (Under)
CASH RECEIPTS			
Intergovernmental Revenue			
Federal funds	\$ 721,395	\$ 726,764	\$ (5,369)
State funds	3,317,875	3,317,875	0
Charges for services	1,996,673	1,996,673	0
Interest income	852	1,350	(498)
Miscellaneous revenues	500	0	500
Refunds/reimbursements	769	0	769
Inservice/transportation reimbursements		11,600	
Operating transfers	<u>287,487</u>	<u>61,000</u>	<u>226,487</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>6,325,551</u>	<u>6,115,262</u>	<u>221,889</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction	4,936,160	5,009,822	(73,662)
Student support services	938,142	954,200	(16,058)
Instruction support staff	23,846	33,550	(9,704)
General administration	216,402	218,740	(2,338)
School administration	5,229	6,000	(771)
Operations and maintenance	33,863	39,400	(5,537)
Student transportation services			0
Other support services	11,114	10,100	1,014
Operating transfers			0
Adjustment for qualifying budget credits			0
Total Expenditures	<u>6,164,756</u>	<u>\$ 6,271,812</u>	<u>\$ (107,056)</u>
Receipts Over (Under) Expenditures	160,795		
Unencumbered Cash, Beginning	439,205		
Prior Year Cancelled Encumbrances	<u>0</u>		
Unencumbered Cash, Ending	<u>\$ 600,000</u>		

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ALL NONBUDGETED FUNDS
Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

	WEBS Grades 6-12	Spectra Fund	Discretionary Projects Fund
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
CASH RECEIPTS			
Federal grants	\$	\$	\$ 27,097
Medicaid funds		139,163	
Intergovernmental Revenue			
State funds	165,684		
Charges for services	66,375		
Miscellaneous revenues			
Operating transfers			
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>232,059</u>	<u>139,163</u>	<u>27,097</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction	132,730	31,920	
Student support services			
Instruction support staff	1,774		
General administration	67,387		
School administration			
Operations and maintenance	1,855		
Other support services	600		27,097
Operating transfers		287,487	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	<u>204,346</u>	<u>319,407</u>	<u>27,097</u>
Receipts Over (Under) Expenditures	27,713	(180,244)	0
Unencumbered Cash, Beginning	10,689	452,570	0
Prior Year Cancelled Encumbrances	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Unencumbered Cash, Ending	<u>\$ 38,402</u>	<u>\$ 272,326</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statement of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which comprise East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 7, 2015. The report on the audited financial statement was adverse because it was not presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; however, it was unqualified as presented on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of the State of Kansas, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Baldwin City, Kansas' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City Kansas' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the organization's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control

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that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charges with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statements amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' compliance.

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Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education, Baldwin City, Kansas' internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with government.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Karlin & Long, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

December 7, 2015

INTERLOCAL #614
EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION
Baldwin City, Kansas

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the year ended June 30, 2015

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass- Through Grantor Number	Federal Expenditures
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U.S. Department of Education			
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Passed through State Department of Education:			
IDEA Cluster			
State Grants (Part B Education Act)	84.027	*	\$ 708,831
Early Childhood Aid	84.173	*	39,661
			<hr/>
Total Federal Assistance			<u><u>\$ 748,492</u></u>

* Not available

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the year ended June 30, 2015

A. Summary of Audit Results

1. The auditor's report expresses an adverse opinion on the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting.
2. No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the general purpose financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education were disclosed during the audit.
4. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education expresses an unmodified opinion on all major federal programs.
5. Audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510 (a) of OMB Circular A-133 relative to the major federal award programs for East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education are reported in this schedule.
6. The programs tested as major programs included:
Department of Education
State Grant (Part B Education Act), Early Childhood Aid CFDA No. 84.027, 84.173
7. East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education was determined not to be a low-risk auditee.
8. The threshold for distinguishing types A and B programs was \$300,000.

B. Findings – Financial Statement Audit
None

C. Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Awards Programs Audit
Department of Education Cluster
State Grant (Part B Education Act), Early Childhood Aid CFDA No. 84.027, 84.173

No findings of noncompliance or questioned costs were noted.

INTERLOCAL # 614
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2015

2014-001 Financial Reporting

Criteria – All school districts are required to prepare financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting adopted. This is a responsibility of the District's management. The preparation of financial statements requires internal controls over both (1) recording, processing, and summarizing accounting data (i.e., maintaining internal books and records), and (2) reporting government-wide and fund financial statements, including note disclosures (i.e., external financial reporting).

Condition – As in the case with many smaller and medium sized entities, the District has historically relied on its independent external auditors to assist in the preparation of the government-wide fund and fund financial statements, including note disclosures, as part of the external financial reporting process. Accordingly, the District's ability to prepare financial statements is based, in part, on its external auditors, who cannot by definition be considered a part of the District's internal controls financial reporting.

Cause – Management has made the decision that it is in their best interest to outsource the preparation of its annual financial statements to the external auditors rather than incur the time and expense of obtaining the necessary training and expertise require for the district to perform this task internally.

Effect of Condition – As a result of this condition, the District lacks internal controls over the preparation of financial statements, including note disclosures, in accordance with the basis of accounting adopted, and instead relies, in part, on its external auditors for assistance with this task.

Recommendation – we recognize that the district may not have the resources to have an accounting personnel to prepare government – wide and fund financial statements, including note disclosures, in conformity with the adopted basis of accounting. However, we recommend that management continue to increase their knowledge of financial reporting.

View of Responsible Officials – The District has evaluated the benefit of establishing internal controls over the preparation of financial statements, including note disclosures, and determined that it is their best of the District to outsource this task to its external auditors, and to carefully review the draft financial statements, including note disclosures, prior to approving them and accepting responsibility for their content and preservation.

Disposition – The district took responsibility to prepare its own financial statements in the subsequent year.

INTERLOCAL # 614
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2015

2015-001 Financial Reporting

None

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Baldwin City, Kansas

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
June 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – Basis of Accounting

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of Interlocal #614 East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education and is presented on the regulatory basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

Regulatory Basis of Accounting – The regulatory basis of accounting, as used in the preparation of these regulatory basis financial statements, is designed to demonstrate compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of the State of Kansas. Cash receipts are recognized when the cash balance of a fund is increased. Expenditures include disbursements, accounts payable, and encumbrances. Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed (executory) contracts for goods and services, and are usually evidenced by a purchase order or written contract. For an interfund transaction, a cash receipt is recorded in the fund receiving cash from another fund, and an expenditure would be charged in the fund from which the transfer is made.

Interlocal #614 East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education has obtained a waiver from generally accepted accounting principles which allows the district to revert to statutory basis of accounting.

Departure from Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – The basis of accounting described above results in a financial statement presentation which shows cash receipts, cash disbursements, cash and unencumbered cash balances, and expenditures compared to budget. Balance sheets that would have shown noncash assets such as receivables, inventories, and prepaid expenses, liabilities such as deferred revenue and mature principal and interest payable, and reservations of the fund balance are not presented. Under generally accepted accounting principles, encumbrances are only recognized as a reservation of fund balance; encumbrances outstanding at year end do not constitute expenditures or liabilities. Consequently, the expenditures as reported do not present the cost of goods and services received during the fiscal year in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
June 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – Basis of Accounting (continued)

Departure from Generally Accepted Account Principles (continued) -
General fixed assets that account for the land, buildings, and equipment owned by the district are not presented in the financial statements. Also, general long-term debt such as general obligation bonds, temporary notes, and compensated absences are not presented in the financial statements.

NOTE 2 – Pass-Through Awards

Interlocal #614 East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education receives certain federal awards in the form of pass-through awards from the State of Kansas. Such amounts received as pass-through awards are specifically identified on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

NOTE 3 – Major Programs

In accordance with OMB Circular A-133, major programs are determined using a risk-based approach. The State Grants (Part B Education Act) and Early Childhood Aid have been determined by the independent auditor to be a cluster of major program determination.

NOTE 4 – Contingencies

The Cooperative receives funds under various federal grant programs and such awards are to be expended in accordance with provisions of the various grants. Compliance with the grants is subject to audit by various government agencies which may impose sanctions in the event of non-compliance. Managements believes that they have complied with all aspects of the various grant provisions and the results of adjustments, if any, relating to such audits would not have any material financial impact.